

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF NURSING  
SUMMARY OF MAJOR ACTIONS  
Board Meeting  
December 14 and 15, 2006**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Approved ARNP renewal fee of \$40 for each registration/designation held by ARNP

Approved to accept all changes to the amended regulation 201 KAR 20:225.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Accepted the location for the proposed Associate Degree Program of Nursing at Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow.

Accepted the June 26, 2006 Focused Site Visit Report for the Associate Degree of Nursing Program at Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow.

Approved the Associate Degree Nursing Program at Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow.

Directed the Associate Degree Nursing Program at Bowling Green Technical College, Glasgow, to submit a progress report within 3 months of entrance of the first class documenting the implementation of the program proposal to include admission details; copy of student handbook; copy of each syllabus for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester; list of faculty as assigned by course; list of signed clinical agreements; the plan for clinical site per course for upcoming academic year; evaluation plan for the extension; and faculty office space.

Accepted the June 13, 2006 Focused Site Visit Report for the Associate Degree Program of Nursing at Campbellsville University, Campbellsville.

Accepted the location for the Associate Degree Program of Nursing at Campbellsville University, Campbellsville.

Approved the curriculum change proposed by Madisonville Community College Madisonville, to integrate the RN and LPN curriculums.

Accepted the application from National College of Business and Technology, Pikeville to establish an Associate Degree of Nursing Program.

Accepted the proposed Mt. Sterling site as the main campus for enrollment until such time as Morehead State University completes the application and proposal process required under 201 KAR 20:290, standards for prelicensure registered nurse and practical nurse extension programs.

Accepted the application from Bluegrass Community & Technical College, Danville and Lawrenceburg to establish an experimental prelicensure program of nursing in conjunction with Harrodsburg Area Technology Center, Harrodsburg.

Accepted the July 8, 2006 Focused Site Visit Report for the Practical Nursing Program at Brown Mackie College-Northern Kentucky, Ft. Mitchell.

Accepted response from Spencerian College, Louisville, requesting report outlining how program administrator's job responsibilities are being covered by Interim Director of Practical Nursing Program.

Directed Spencerian College, Louisville to submit to the Board of Nursing within 90 days a response addressing each duty of the program administrator as outlined in 201 KAR 20:260, organization and administration standards for prelicensure programs of nursing and how each will be operationalized at Spencerian; a detailed outline/job description for the position of Director of the Nursing Programs/Nurse Administrator at Spencerian College and a job description for the associate director of the PN program and the RN program.

Approved the proposed revision to regulation 201 KAR 20:390.

#### **PRACTICE COMMITTEE**

Approved letter of response to the opinion request of May 3, 2006 from J. Ridder, RN, Louisville on the delegation of sterile urinary catheterization to unlicensed assistive personnel.

Approved letter of response to the opinion request of September 21, 2006 from Dale Vincent, RN, Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital, Education Department and Clinical Development Specialist, Emergency Department, Louisville on the delegation of intravenous peripheral catheter removal to unlicensed assistive personnel.

Approved letter of response to the opinion request of July 24, 2006, from Deborah Arnold, RN, Regulatory Compliance Specialist, Gentiva Health Services, Tampa, Florida, on the role of licensed practical nurses in patient observation and assessment in home health settings.

Approved letter of response to the opinion request of September 15, 2006, from Cindy Ritchie, RN, Regional Director of Clinical Operations, Amedisys Home Health Services, Louisville, on the supervision requirement for licensed practical nurses who practice in home health settings.

Approved letter of response to the opinion request of October 19, 2006, from T. Tudor, LPN, Fordsville, on the scope of licensed practical nursing practice in a proposed "Doctor's On Call Answering Service".

Approved the following statement and to disseminate to emergency preparedness agencies:

The Kentucky Board of Nursing supports the use of pre-licensure nursing students to help supplement medical activities during a disaster, pandemic or any major event that precipitates medical surge across the state. Such students may function at the level of their educational preparation and/or as personnel who could be further trained to assist in providing health related services.

Approved the letter of response to the opinion request of October 25, 2006, from D. Watts, RN, Appalachian Regional Hospital, Whitesburg, on the scope of registered nursing practice in the certification of "false labor" under 42 CFR 489.24 Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act (EMTALA).

Approved letter of response to the opinion request of October 9, 2006, from J. McCord, DO, Madisonville, on pre-anesthesia screening evaluation by an advanced registered nurse practitioner and/or registered nurse.

Directed the Board to establish a taskforce of individuals associated with the administration of medications by unlicensed personnel, to assist the Board in the identification and exploration of issues, and future planning surrounding this practice.

Directed a meeting be scheduled with health care facility nursing executives to discuss the role of the Board when potential facility systems issues are identified by the Board.

Approved the Proposed Practice Committee Objectives 2006-2007.

#### **CONSUMER PRACTICE COMMITTEE**

Approved the 2006-2007 Committee Scope and Functions.

Approved the 2006-2007 Committee Objectives.

Approved 201 KAR 20:163 Standards for Approved Evaluators.

Approved changes to KRS 314.075, KRS 314.091 and KRS 314.109.

Approved Guidelines for Consent Decrees and implementation beginning January 2007.

Approved Guidelines for Disciplinary Action for Licensed Nurses, Nurse Applicants, Dialysis Technicians, and Dialysis Technician Applicants.

#### **ALTERNATIVE TO DISCIPLINE FOR PRACTICE AD HOC GROUP**

Approved the development of a paper outlining what activities the board presently undertakes that are consistent with "Just Culture" philosophy.

Approved the development of a board philosophy on discipline and the development of a definition of a minor incident.

Directed the Board of Nursing to initiate a statewide discussion on "Just Culture" by inviting interested associations, state boards and agencies, and facilities to a meeting to explore adopting "Just Culture" in Kentucky

**DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

Approved ten (10) Proposed Decisions as written